

2011 Legislative Policy Research Internship & Independent Study Program

Three positions available

Tax analyst – Work closely with Department of Revenue researchers and local government officials to document the impacts of potential changes to sales, property and other taxes.

Environmental policy analyst – Research the on-the-ground implications of land use, energy water rights, agriculture, public works and transportation policy proposals.

Criminal justice analyst –

Examine impacts of changes to the criminal code on local law enforcement, prosecution and defense. Bill topics range from misdemeanor to capital cases.

How to apply

Send via email a cover letter, resume, a writing sample and three references to:

Igfnanalyst@commerce.wa.gov.
Please indicate time commitment and interest in which position(s); you may apply for more than one.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3

For more information

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Check out our website: http://www.commerce.wa.gov/lgfn

Observe the legislative process up close

The Local Government Fiscal Note Program is now taking applications for our 2011 Legislative Policy Research Internship & Independent Study Program.

Application deadline is Friday, December 3. We seek a commitment of 10-20 hours per week winter quarter. Positions are unpaid but graduate or undergraduate credit is available. We can assist in securing a faculty sponsor.

Make connections in state and local government while developing your policy analysis skills in a lively, fast-paced setting. Interns are mentored by seasoned researchers – almost all of whom are Evergreen graduates – who have a strong commitment to your learning. The experience you gain here can be used in a variety of different career tracks, such as policy research, budgeting and program management – at either the state or local levels.

Provide an important service to policymakers

We analyze the financial impacts of proposed legislation to local governments. This involves interpreting bill language, surveying local officials and producing objective analysis. State legislators use fiscal notes as they develop, revise and vote on proposed legislation.

Join our team of resourceful researchers

We seek aspiring researchers with strong writing, analytical, organizational and interpersonal skills. Knowledge of local government issues and legislative processes is helpful but not necessary. You don't need to be a math whiz, but a comfort with numbers and high attention to detail is a must. Sense of humor is a plus. Other desirable qualifications include:

- Ability to work under tight deadlines and in a high-pressure environment
- Completion of a college-level statistics course
- Experience with Microsoft Excel and telephone surveying.

Staffed by the Local Government Fiscal Note Program

Research Services

